

SUPPLEMENT TO THE HERALD.

NEW YORK, FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 1866.

From the north side. To land on the south side—Clermont—the Joeyzino, 100 loads, obtained \$93, for New York, a brig, the Rolling Wave, gets \$4 for masts, & portage.

Exchange, with some fluctuations, has regained its previous tone. Sterling closes at 14½; a 14½ per cent premium, and francs at 15½ a 2 per cent premium. Bills on New York are in good repute; rates variable—sixty days carry 22 to 24 per cent discount, and short gold drafts 3 to 4½ per cent discount.

THE LATER.

It is reported that the Spanish war steamer Neptune has been engaged by a schooner with 315 passengers from Africa who intend to bring a human cargo to the coast of Cuba. The consignment is said to be a well known planter and capitalist of this island.

The British steamer Calanus, eight days from Vera Cruz, arrived to-day and fired a salute of twenty-one guns, which was returned by the flagship, then by the frigates and by the Spanish Admiral.

The United States gunboat Chocura came in to-day from Key West. Her commander was saluted with five guns by the Spanish flagship.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Preparations for the Celebration in This City, Brooklyn and New Jersey, &c.

To-morrow will be the anniversary of the nativity of Ireland's patron saint, and although the day is always celebrated by the children of Erin with enthusiasm, yet, for cogent reasons, it may be supposed that

the day is past.

When watery rook gives warning,

With smiles and tears for bygone years,

Will bid this Patrick's morning.

Regarding the birth, life and death of St. Patrick much is written, but little is known. It is generally believed that he was born about the latter part of the fourth century; but opinion is divided as to whether France or Scotland was the place of his nativity. It matters little in this age, however, where he was born. Concerning all that it is necessary to know there is ample proof: that he was brought to Ireland as a slave at an early age, and that after escaping he returned as a preacher of the Gospel and a savior of souls, having received his mission and the apostolic benediction from Pope Celestine. Innumerable are the miracles and good works which St. Patrick is said to have wrought in Ireland. He founded monasteries, churches and religious orders throughout the entire length and breadth of the island, and by no means the smallest blessing which popular tradition attributes to him is the banishing of all venomous reptiles from the land. Where any official authority for this can be found it is difficult to ascertain, but the fact has been handed down to posterity by an exuberant poet, who says:

Here's success to bold St. Patrick's fist,

He gave the snake and toads a twist,

And banished them forever.

If the Saint could see his children now he would, no doubt, feel highly pleased at the evidences shown of their love for the land which he labored to convert, as well as their reverence for his memory. In all parts of the world, where if only a few Irishmen can be found—and where is the country in which they cannot be found—there is sure to be some celebration in honor of the day, and the "green immortal shamrock" is universally "drowned."

The city of New York contains a goodly share of the Irish element, and at the many assemblies held in the city and in all walks of life it may be found, oftentimes as pure as the air, and so far removed from the mass as to be described as at that in a city of the tallest kind of demonstrations are gotten up, and where Ireland is so numerously represented, that St. Patrick's day will go by without a celebration which will not go to New York and an honor to its Irish residents. This year we have developed many new items for the history of Ireland, and the ties of nationality are becoming daily more firmly bound, and the celebration to-morrow will, no doubt, be in every way worthy of the occasion. There will be processions, parades, carnivals, games, and speeches, dinners and suppers, and a grand show of bunting. The celebration will, of course, begin with "Saint Patrick's Day in the Morning," shortly after which

THE CIVIC SOCIETIES

will parade in accordance with the orders already published, as follows:—

The societies will take their positions at ten o'clock A. M. precisely, in East Broadway, in the following order:—

Patrol, 1st Battalion, New York, John Reilly, Marshal, East Broadway, right resting on Grand street.

Hibernian Benevolent Society of New York, Charles H. Tyler, Marshal, right resting on Government street.

Quarantine, St. P. O. Society, Charles Allen, Marshal, right resting on Government street.

Benevolent Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Brooklyn, H. D. Patrick Kelly, Marshal, right resting on Clinton street.

Congressional, Atlantic, New York, John G. Bremont, Dennis Donohue, Marshal, in Jefferson street, right resting on East Broadway.

Irish American Association, U. S. A., John C. Graham, Marshal, East Broadway, right resting on Jefferson street.

Antislavery Order of Hibernians, of New York, John Turner and Thomas Kearny, Marshals, New Canal street, right resting on East Broadway.

American Roman Catholic, T. A. B. Society, between Rutgers and Pitt streets.

St. Peter's, U. S. A. Society, New York, John Doyle, Marshal, Pitt street, right resting on East Broadway.

Edward Mathews U. S. A. Society, parent, New York, Edward L. Carey, Marshal, East Broadway, right resting on Pitt street.

Peter C. E. T. A. B. Society, between Market and Chambers streets.

John Carroll, Roman Catholic, T. A. B. Society, between Rutgers and Pitt streets.

John J. McGrade, Marshal, East Broadway, right resting on Rutgers street.

Long Island, U. S. Society, John J. Hayes, Marshal, right resting on left of Transfiguration R. C. T. A. B. Society, between Rutgers and Pitt streets.

John J. Hayes, Marshal, Pitt street, right resting on East Broadway.

Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic, T. A. B. Society, between Rutgers and Pitt streets.

New York, Captain of Neil, Marshal, right resting on left of Pitt street.

Peter C. E. T. A. B. Society, between Market and Chambers streets.

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